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ECOS RELEASE NOTES 4.0.1

I. Enhancements

1. Notification to ECOS Help Desk of new/modified entity codes

In an attempt to keep the Processor/Receiving Organization data updated with their correct entity codes, an email notification will be generated to the ECOS Help Desk when State administrators add new entity codes in ECOS or change information associated with an existing entity code for a processor/receiving organization.

2. <u>Update CSV version of all reports</u>

All reports within ECOS have been modified for the CSV format version (i.e. the format that can be saved as an excel file). In order to make the CSV format more user friendly, the reports were restructured to only contain one header row and pure data. This will allow users the ability to manipulate the data output to meet each individual's unique requirements. Please be advised that the data record length will very long as headings and subheadings will now be individual fields.

II. Modifications

1. USDA ability to create links

ECOS has had the ability for State Agencies to include web links that will be available to all users within the organization. This modification gives USDA the ability to create and attach USDA web links to the ECOS Links page currently in the system.

2. Program / Program year headers are reversed on Program Entitlement report

The report was corrected so the column headings will match the data reported under each heading.

3. 'Receive Shipment' functions available at all levels

The ability to perform the receive shipment function in ECOS has been enabled at the highest processor/receiving organization level i.e. the Head Quarters (HQ) level. This

will give the HQ receiving organization the ability to perform this task for any of the plants or sub-locations located within their structure.

4. Add status of 'CA' to all reports

The delivery order status code of 'CA' (i.e. cancelled) was added as an option to request reports for only orders in this status as well as including those orders on reports. This will enable states and recipients to more accurately track all orders.

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